

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4-6, 8-9, and 11 as follows:

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1. (original) Basketball basket fixed to a floating platform.
2. (original) Basketball basket according to claim 1 consisting of: a platform (10) on which are fixed at least two poles (11) holding a board (12) to which the basket (13) is fixed.
3. (original) Basketball basket according to claim 2 wherein the border of the platform (10) are rounded or protected with suitable padding.
4. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 1 ~~[[1 - 3]]~~ wherein the platform (10) presents two fixing points (14) for anchoring to a swimming pool border.
5. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 2 ~~[[1 - 4]]~~ wherein the poles (11) are fixed to the platform (10) and to the board (12) by suitable fixing tools.
6. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 2 ~~[[1 - 4]]~~ wherein the poles (11) are leaning in order that the board (12) and the basket (13) project on the water above the border of the platform (10).

7. (original) Basketball basket according to claim 6 wherein the platform (10) presents a counterbalancing weight on its side opposite to the one on which bases the board.

8. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 1 ~~[[1 – 4]]~~ wherein the platform (10) presents a concavity on the side corresponding to the board (12).

9. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 1 ~~[[1 – 8]]~~ wherein the poles (11) and possibly the basket are fixed through hinges or pins in order to allow their folding.

10. (original) Basketball basket according to claim 9 wherein the sides of the platform (10) present a handle and a belt capable of maintaining in folded position the board (12), poles (11) and possibly basket (13).

11. (currently amended) Basketball basket according to ~~claims~~ claim 1 ~~[[1 – 11]]~~ wherein the platform (10) consists of a frame (i.e. a surface internally hollow) having various forms.

12. (original) Basketball basket according to claim 11 wherein the platform (10) is rectangular and the poles (11) holding the board are placed respectively on the opposite sides of the frame: two on the side behind the board and one holding the inferior side of the board on the opposite side of the frame (or vice versa).